

Appendix A: 2013-14 Assessment Calendar and Release Timelines

	Assessment Name	Administration	Ordering/ Availability	Delivery	2013-14 Administration Window
State Mandated	Achievement, MAAS, ELSA, K-2 (Participation in K-2 is a district option)	Spring	Sept. 23 – Oct. 4	Approx. three weeks prior to test schedule**	April 28 – May 9
	TCAP-Alt Portfolio Assessment	Fall through spring	Oct. 30 – Nov. 11	Mid- January	Aug. 5 – Feb. 14
	End of Course/Gateway	Fall	Sept. 30 – Oct. 10	** See Ach	Dec. 2 – Dec. 20
		Spring	Jan. 13 – Jan. 24	** See Ach	April 28 – May 14
		Summer	May. 12 – May. 23	** See Ach	July 7 – July 25
	Official Writing Assessment (Grades 5, 8, and 11)	Winter	Sept. 30 – Oct. 16	MIST literacy portal	Feb. 3 – Feb. 14
Optional Common Core Readiness	Writing	Phase I – Fall	Released September 30	TNCore	No official testing window
			November	MIST literacy portal	
		Official – Winter (Grades 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10)	Sept. 30 – Oct. 16	MIST literacy portal	Grades 3, 6 and 9: Feb. 17 – Feb. 21 Grades 4, 7 and 10: Feb. 24 – Feb. 28
		Research Simulation – Spring	Released March 24	TNCore & MIST literacy portal	No official testing window

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Optional Common Core Readiness	Constructed Response Assessment (Math)	Phase I – Fall <i>Fall Block and Traditional Schedule</i>	Aug. 12 – Aug. 23	Measurement, Inc. prints and ships test books; due in districts early to mid-October	<u>If district opted into formal state administration:</u> Grades 3-8: Oct. 14 – Oct. 25* High School: Oct. 21 – Nov. 1* <u>If district opted out of formal state administration:</u> No official testing window
		Phase II – Winter <i>Spring Block and Traditional Schedule</i>	Nov.	Measurement, Inc. prints and ships test books; due in districts early to mid-February	<u>If district opted into formal state administration:</u> Feb. 17 – Feb. 28* <u>If district opted out of formal state administration:</u> No official testing window
		Phase III – <i>V1 Fall Block only V2 Spring Block and Traditional schedule</i>	Released Early Dec. Late April/ May	TNCore	No official testing window
	Literacy Science, Social Studies, CTE	Phase I – Fall	Released Oct. 21	TNCore	No official testing window
			November	MIST literacy portal	
		Research Simulation – Spring	Released March 24	TNCore & MIST literacy portal	No official testing window
Diagnostic	ACT	(Weekday Test Dates)	n/a	Late February	March 4 (Make-ups March 18, 2014)
	ACT Explore, PLAN	Fall	Aug. 12 – Nov. 1, 2013	Approx. 2 weeks prior to test window	Sept. 16 – Nov. 8
	ELDA	Spring	Oct. 30-Nov. 11	Mid-January	Feb. 10 – March 21
	NAEP	Winter/Spring	n/a	Varies	Jan. 27 – March 14 (Tentative)

***This administration window is subject to change based on the assessment development schedule.**

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Month	Math	English Language Arts	Literacy
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CRA District Benchmark or Teacher Use: Phase I CRA grades 1-8 and HS (Alg I, Geometry, Alg II) Materials released 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase I writing tasks released in grades 3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-10, and 11 via TNCore 	
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CRA Formal State administration: Phase I CRA grades 3-8 and HS (Alg I, Geometry, Alg II) administration 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase I science, social studies tasks released via TNCore CTE Research Simulation Task I released via TNCore
November		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase I writing tasks released in grades 3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-10, and 11 via MIST literacy portal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase I science and social studies tasks released via MIST portal CTE Research Simulation Task I released via MIST literacy portal
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Task Arcs released for K-8, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (Set 2) Phase III V1 CRA for high school block materials released via TNCore 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model units released for grades 4-5, 6-8, 9-10, 11-12 (Set 2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model units released for science (6-8, 9-12), social studies (6-8, 9-12), CTE (Set 2)
January, 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CRA District Benchmark or Teacher Use: Phase II CRA grades 1-8 and high school materials released 		
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CRA Formal State administration: Phase II Interim CRA Grades 3-8 and high school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official, centrally scored writing assessment 	
March		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing Research Simulation Task released in grades 3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-10, and 11 via TNCore and MIST literacy portal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science and social studies Research Simulation Task released via TNCore and MIST literacy portal CTE Research Simulation Task II released via TNCore and MIST literacy portal
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCAP (required) K-2 (SAT 10) (optional) Phase III V2 CRA Grades 1-8, high school materials released via TNCore 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCAP (required) K-2 (SAT 10) (optional) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCAP in science and social studies (required)
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCAP (required) K-2 (SAT 10) (optional) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCAP (required) K-2 (SAT 10) (optional) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCAP in science and social studies (required)